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When seed degenerate and the Seasons are unkind; -

We must remember "Each single plant grows from a single seed. If the crop is self-fertilized, that is, if each flower is fertilized with its own pollen, each seed is pure and will produce a pure plant. Wheat (for example) normally is a self-fertilized crop. If seed from such a pure plant or from one of its heads is thrashed separately and sown, its descendants will be what is called a pure line. Other names for the same thing are pure strain, pure race, and pedigreed variety. A race founded thus on one pure plant remains a pure line just as long as it continues to be self-fertilized and is kept free from mixture with the seed of other races or varieties.**It follows any races worth keeping must be better yielders than the mixture of good and poor races from which they are taken."

Sunlight, warmth, rainfall, cold and gloom are caused in a greater or less degree by the seasons. Sometimes a plant removed from one part of the country and planted elsewhere will double its production, and it will be found due entirely to climatic conditions. Attention to the above facts with the aid of "The Fundamental Principles of Good Farming" laid down by Dr. Knapp in his bulletin "Fall-Breaking and the Preparation of the Seed-Bed" must evolve the basic principle of life and furnish the first aid given so unstintingly by our wise men.

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COLLEGE SHORT COURSES.

The Connecticut Farmers' Week will be held at Hartford, Connecticut on January 20th to 24th, 1919.

A ten days Short Course for Farmers will be held at the University of Florida College of Agriculture, Gainesville, Fla., on January 7th to 17th, 1919. Special courses will be given in poultry, citrus culture, Agricultural engineering, including tractors, gas engines, care and repair of farm machinery, concrete construction etc. Course of instruction free. Board while in Gainesville the only expense.

Agents from the Northern part of the State of Georgia will attend a second Short Course of County Home Demonstration Agents at Athens, Georgia, on January 2nd to February 15th, 1919.

A ten days Short Course for Farmers and Farm Women will be given beginning January 1st, 1919, at the Georgia Agricultural College.

Every farmer in Kentucky should attend Farmers' Week at the College of Agriculture, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., on January 28, 30, 31, 1919.

President Boyd of the Louisiana State University announces the following regulations:

Louisiana State College is planning to get her collegiate work back on normal basis. Students who have been away on military duty during first of session who return on or before the opening of the second term December 30, 1918, will receive credit for all work missed in their absence.

The annual session will be divided into the terms of twelve weeks each.

The first term will end on Saturday, December 21, 1918. The second term will begin on Monday, Dec. 30, and end on Saturday, March 22, 1919. The third term will begin on Monday, March 24, and end on Saturday, June 14, 1919.

Students present during the first term will be given credit for the work of the term upon satisfactorily completing the work after November 16, including the examinations to be held during the week ending December 21, 1918. Students who wish to change their course of study must do so during the first five days of the second term.

S. A. T. C. students will be charged two-thirds of the usual annual University fees after their discharge from the military or naval service. The Christmas holidays will begin on Saturday, December 14th at 1 o'clock P. M., and will end on Monday, December 30, at 8 A. M. Students may be granted furloughs beginning after the close of their last scheduled examination.

The Maryland special Winter Short Course begins January 6th and closes on March 15th, 1919.

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The 23rd Annual Convention of the National Agricultural Week will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, January 6th to 11th, 1919. The Meeting has been convened to meet with the college Experiment Stations and agricultural officials of the Nations.

The Missouri Farmers' Week will be held at Columbia University, Mo., on January 20th to 24th to avoid conflicting with the agricultural Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

The North Carolina Farmers' Short Course at West Raleigh, begins January 2nd, 1919, and continues eight weeks.

The North Carolina Service Extension says - A Practical Short Course in Agriculture to fit present day needs of North Carolina Farmers has been arranged by the State College of Agriculture for three weeks, beginning January 9th, 1919.

A Six Weeks Short Course is to be given at the University of Tennessee on January 6th to February 15th, 1919.

On the second Monday of January a ten days course in butter making will be held at the A. & M. College of Texas.

The Wisconsin College second course in tractor operation and repair begins on January 6th and lasts four weeks.

Students will be glad to learn that they may enter the second term of the Wisconsin regular Short Course, starting December 30th, 1918, and receive full credit toward graduation for all the work they do in that term and the third term which runs from February 3rd to March 6th, 1919.

"A deeper and more thoroughly pulverized seed bed was the foundation upon which England built an improved agriculture, and this principle has been generally accepted there for more than one hundred and sixty years, until the average production has increased nearly five-fold."

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COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC.

The Annual Meeting of the State Home Demonstration Agents will be held in Washington, D. C., on January 2nd to 7th, inclusive.

Pinellas County's Council of Defense in Florida proposes to find work for all the soldiers who wish employment.

Talks on practical farming by Dr. Wyman are held regularly every Monday night in Assembly Hall, Oldsmar, Florida, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M. eastern time. Farmers of other towns are invited to attend these meetings of the Oldsmar Farmers' Alliance. No charge for admission.

The Annual County Agents' Meeting will be held at Athens, Georgia, on January 6th to 18th, 1919.

The Home Demonstration County Agents look forward to a meeting at Athens, Georgia, in January, 1919.

The National Cannery Association will be held at Chicago, Illinois on January 20th to 24th, 1919.

The Indiana Corn Growers' Association will be held at Purdue, Indiana, on January 13th to 18th, 1919.

Miss Alice S. Hickman announces the Home Demonstration Agents' Meeting will be held at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on January 27th to 31st, 1919. We will make this meeting for the discussion of organization and plans for the coming year.

The 23rd Annual Convention of the National Agricultural Week will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, January 6th to 11th, 1919. This meeting has been convened to meet with the College Experiment Stations and Agricultural officials of the Nations.

Dr. True has advised that the meeting of the Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations will be held in the Southern Hotel at Baltimore, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 8th, 9th, 10th, 1919. The first meeting is at 10 A. M. January 8th, 1919.

The Annual Conference of County Agents and Specialists will be held at the Maryland State College on January 2nd, 3rd and 4th, inclusive. All County Agents, Assistant Agents and Specialists are expected to attend the sessions of the Conference and should arrange to be present at the first session. Sessions will begin at 9 A. M. and at 1:30 P. M.

Registration day for the boys of Mississippi under eighteen and not under ten years of age will be held on January 1, 1919. This is

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

The Commission of the General Land Office has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the report of the Surveyor General of the Territory of New Mexico, dated at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 1st day of January, 1917.

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"Enrollment for the production of food and feed and for the performance of other necessary labor in connection with war activities."

Miss Emma Chandler will hold a Home Demonstration County Agents' Meeting at Stillwater, Oklahoma, on January 16th, 1919.

The Virginia Annual County Agents' Meeting at Blacksburg, Virginia, will be held on January 1st to 7th, 1919.

The West Virginia Farmers' Week at Morgantown, W. Va., has been postponed to the latter part of January, 1919.

The success of growing good seed rests entirely with the farmer - "Preparation for spring planting should go rapidly ahead. Seed, fertilizers and other farm supplies should be bought without delay."

"A wise County Agent will have a Seed Committee."

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FAIRS.

The tentative date for the Alabama State Fair at Birmingham, Ala., has been given for October 6th to 11th, 1919.

The Fair for Tampa, South Florida will be revived now that the war is over.

The Sub-Tropical Mid-Winter Fair to be held at Orlando, Florida on February 11th to 14th promises to be the largest and most successful held in Florida.

The tentative date for the Ocala County Fair, Florida, is January 15th, 16th, 17th, 1919. When Kissimmee will have the honor of entertaining the State Livestock Association at their annual convention.

The Illinois Shorthorn Breeders' Show and Sale will be held at Galesburg, Illinois, on February 13th, 1919. C. J. McMasters, Manager.

The tentative date for the Kankakee Interstate Fair will be August 22, to 30, 1919, at Kankakee, Illinois.

The tentative date for the Illinois State Fair at Springfield, Ill., August 15th to 23rd, 1919.

The tentative date for the Indiana State Fair at Indianapolis on September 1st to 6th, 1919.

The tentative date for the Interstate Live Stock Fair, Sioux City, Iowa, on September 14th to 19th, 1919.

The tentative State Fair date held at Des Moines, Iowa is August 20th to 29th, 1919.

The tentative date for the Kansas Free Fair at Topeka, Kansas, September 8th, 13th, 1919.

Tentative date given for Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, Kansas, September 13th to 20th, 1919.

Tentative date for Kentucky state Fair, Louisville, Ky., September 8th, to 13th, 1919.

The Southern Cattlemen's Association will be held at New Orleans, Louisiana, on February 11th to 14th, 1919. R. M. Gow of Little Rock, Ark., Secretary.

Tentative date for Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport, La., on October 29 to November 3rd, 1919.

Mississippi will have no fair in 1919 on account of influenza.

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The tentative date for the Mississippi State Fair is Jackson, Mississippi, October 20th to 25th, 1919. Tentative date for the Mississippi-Alabama Fair is Meridian, Miss., on September 29th to October 4th, 1919.

The tentative date for Missouri State Fair at Sedalia is August 9th to 19th, 1919.

The tentative date for Nebraska State Fair, is Lincoln, Neb., August 31st to September 5th, 1919.

The tentative date for Ohio State Fair is Columbus, Ohio, August 25th to 29th, 1919.

The tentative date for the Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition, is Oklahoma City, September 20th to 27th, 1919. Oklahoma Free Fair tentative date is at Muskogee, September 29th to October 4th, 1919.

The tentative date for Tennessee State Fair at Nashville, Tenn is September 15th to 20th, 1919. Tentative date for Memphis State Fair at Memphis, Tenn., is September 20th to 27th, 1919.

The tentative date for the State Fair of Texas at Dallas is October 14th to 26th, 1919. The Texas Cotton Palace, Waco, Texas tentative date is November 1st to 16th, 1919.

The tentative date for Virginia State Fair at Richmond, Va., is October 6th to 11th, 1919.

The Wisconsin Cheese Makers' Association will be held on January 8th to 10th, 1919, at the Auditorium in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"Each Spring members of local agricultural societies buy their seeds cooperatively, with the result that when orders are judiciously placed, the cost to the farmer is reduced, while the good quality of the seeds is insured."

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